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**Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations 1999  
Threestoneburn Deforestation Application**

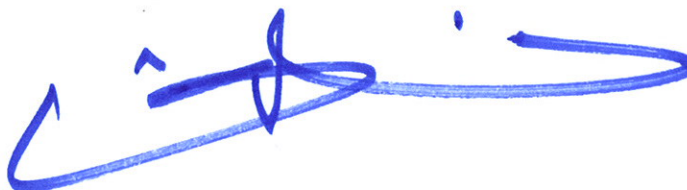
Thank you for your letter of 17 March enclosing copy from the Northumberland County Council. I can see the difficulties that arise when extracting timber via Brandon and wonder if a possible solution might be to put a temporary bridge over Brandon Ford which would then give safe access into Powburn.

The alternative of creating a new road to come out via Middleton is difficult to visualise but I hope it would not disturb an area of great prehistoric interest along the Ilderton Dene Escarpment which is one of the most unspoilt, ancient British camp sites in the Cheviots.

I think it would be a tragedy to put a major track right through the middle of this and hope that alternatives can be found to leave this "soul of the National Park" area unmolested.

I don't welcome the activity crossing my land – but will put up with it to help preserve the unspoilt nature of the Park for which we are all custodians.

I hope the above comments are helpful.



**Lord Vinson**

cc Richard Hayes, Northern Area Highways Manager, NCC